

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Grand Island Police Department and the Tri-City Drug Task Force announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, sentenced Edwin Javier Chamul today to 188 months imprisonment, 5 years of supervised release to follow and a \$100 special assessment following Chamul's conviction for being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm. Chamul was arrested by the Grand Island Police Department on October 25, 2009, following an investigation of a drive-by shooting at a residence in Grand Island, Nebraska. The police found Chamul near a parked pickup truck. Inside the pickup truck the police located a .22 caliber handgun and a .22 caliber rifle with a barrel of only 12.5 inches in length.

Name of Defendant: Edwin Javier Chamul

AKA:

Age: 25

City of residence: Grand Island, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Felon in possession of a firearm, at least 15 years and possibly up to life imprisonment, at least 5 years of supervised release, a fine of up to \$250,000 and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Grand Island, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Grand Island, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: October 25, 2009.

Federal Arrest Date: December 22, 2009

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: December 16, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: December 22, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Chamul pled guilty on July 19, 2010

Sentencing Date: October 13, 2010

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: He was held in federal custody since his arrest on December 22, 2009.

In Continuous Custody Since: October 25, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon

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